

wherein a ribbon is wound on the outer periphery of a drum placed at one position
AH by the drum reversing/supporting mechanism to form a wrapper, and
said wrapper on the outer periphery of the drum reversed to the other position by
said drum reversing/supporting mechanism is cut along the scheduled cutting line of the
drum to form a body ply material.

REMARKS

Claims 28-54 remain in this application, with claims 1-27 having been canceled to expedite prosecution of this application. Claims 25-54 incorporate amendments made under Article 34 filed during the prosecution of the PCT application.

The claims in this Preliminary Amendment have been rewritten to eliminate multiple claim dependency. The specification has been amended to include US-style headings and to correct certain typographical errors.

Attached hereto is a paper, captioned "Amendment Appendix Version With Markings To Show Changes Made" by this Amendment to the Specification.

Also attached hereto is an Abstract of the Disclosure.

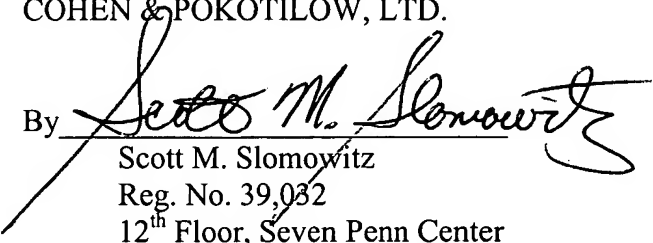
It is respectfully submitted that the application is in good form for initial examination on the merits. Accordingly, prompt and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Amended Appendix
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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

- page 1 line 1, please place the title of the invention before "SPECIFICATION"
- line 6, please change "TECHNICAL FIELD" to -BACKGROUND FO
THE INVENTION--;
- line 11, please delete "BACKGROUND ART";
- page 3 line 32, replace "eliminating" with - -significantly reducing- -
- line 33, after "and" add - -of eliminating- -;
- page 4 line 19, please change "DISCLOSURE OF THE INVENTION" to
- -BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--;
- page 11 line 17, please change "Fig. 23 is an explanatory diagram" to --Figs. 23(a)
to 23(f) are explanatory diagrams--;
- line 26, please change "Best Mode For Carrying Out The Invention" to
- -DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED
EMBODIMENTS- -
- page 16 line 17, please change "vacuum hole 35a" to --start end holding
mechanism, in this embodiment a vacuum hole, 35a--;

line 18, please change "vacuum hole 35b" to -- start end holding
mechanism, in this embodiment a vacuum hole, 35b--;

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